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"It's about time that lowans receive this promised disaster relief funding," Braley said. "After months of bureaucratic delay, I'm glad that this funding will soon reach the hands of lowans. I will continue working each day to ensure that lowans have the resources they need to continue down the road to recovery."

Once released, the \$85 million in Community Development Block Grants can be used to support state and local government-directed neighborhood revitalization, housing rehabilitation, and economic development activities.